

Obituaries

R. Lambert Ryff 1987

Services for R. Lambert Ryff, 67, who died in Cheyenne Nov. 7, 1987, were held Tuesday, Nov. 10, 1987 at 2 p.m. in the First Christian Church in Wheatland with Chet Shaw, minister.

He was born in Wheatland Jan. 27, 1920, the son of Fred and Inez (Lambert) Ryff. He was reared and educated in Wheatland and farmed with his parents until he entered the U.S. Army in March of 1942.

He served overseas, was in the Normandy Invasion and received a Purple Heart with the Oak Leaf. Upon being discharged from military duty as a staff sergeant, he returned to the Wheatland area.

He and Violet Olson were married in 1943. He served as Platte Co. Treasurer from 1946 to 1950, then farmed for 8 years until 1959. He sold the farm to move into town and accept the position of Water Commissioner for the Southeast District of Wyoming, a position he held for 16 years.

He then became manager of the Wheatland Irrigation District for 4 years after which he was a security guard with Missouri Basin until his retirement at 65 years of age.

He was a member of the First Christian Church, IOOF Lodge, VFW Post 3558 and the Disabled American Vets.

Survivors include his wife, Violet Ryff of Wheatland; 2 sons: Ben Ryff of Wheatland and Jerry Ryff of Casper; a daughter, Linda Orgeron of Columbia, Md.; 2 brothers: Dean Ryff of Cheyenne and Don Ryff of Fresno, Cal.; 2 half-sisters: Floy Gray of Lebanon, Ore., and Edwina Johnson of Sacramento, Cal., and six grandchildren.

Besides his parents he was preceded in death by a brother, Cecil.

Burial was in the Wheatland Cemetery.

Memorial contributions in his name may be made either to the First Christian Church or to the American Cancer Society.

Schrader-Prell Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.